Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
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Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable)	MB Docket No. 05-311
Communications Policy Act of 1984 as Amended)	
the Cable Television Consumer Protection and)	
Competition Act of 1992)	

COMMENTS OF QUINCY ACCESS TELEVISION

Quincy Access Television appreciates the opportunity to file comments on the Second Further Notice and Proposed Rulemaking ("FNPRM") in the above-referenced docket. Quincy Access Television (QATV) serves the citizens of Quincy, Massachusetts with local programming unavailable via any other media outlet. We strongly oppose the tentative conclusion in the FNPRM that cable-related in-kind contributions, such as those that allow our programming to be viewed on the cable system, are franchise fees.

Through the use of two channels (Channel 8 public access and Channel 9 government access), the 94,000 citizens of Quincy watch QATV for local news, information, religious, educational, entertainment, sports, and a variety of other types of programming. These programs are produced for specifically for the Citizens of Quincy. QATV works closely with local, county and state elected officials to keep citizens informed. Also, in conjunction with numerous municipal departments in the City of Quincy, QATV provides news, information and updates to residents about various topics from trash collection, public health issues and veterans services. In addition, QATV is a main outlet for the City of Quincy to provide detailed information for weather emergency updates during large storms, Nor'easters and blizzards. Quincy Access

Television's budget is funded 100% through franchise fees. A reduction in franchise fees would dramatically reduce or eliminate the information QATV provides to the residents of Quincy.

We reject the implication in the FNPRM that PEG programming is for the benefit of the local franchising authority (LFA) or a third-party PEG provider, rather than for the public or the cable consumer. As demonstrated above, Quincy Access Television provides valuable local programming that is not otherwise available on the cable system or in other modes of video delivery such as satellite.

We appreciate the opportunity to add to the record in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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